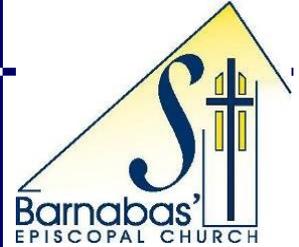


The St. Barnabas' Reporter



Episcopal Church Policy - Advancing the Reign of God

The Rev. Canon Carol Cole Flanagan
Interim Rector

Have you ever wondered what the Episcopal Church's position is on an "issue of the day?" Have you ever wondered how the church goes about developing positions, and what we do once we've established a position?

The foundation for these issues is the General Convention and the Executive Council, which passes resolutions that establish the church's foundation for action by individuals, dioceses, church-based organizations, and the Episcopal Church as a whole. This work is facilitated by the Office of Government Relations on Capitol Hill and the Episcopal Public Policy Network.

From their websites:

The Office of Government Relations represents the policy priorities of the Episcopal Church to the U.S. government in Washington, D.C. We aim to shape and influence policy and legislation on critical issues, highlighting the voices and experiences of Episcopalians and Anglicans globally. All of our work is grounded in the resolutions of General Convention and Executive Council, the legislative and governing bodies of the church. Drawing on the priorities of General Convention and Church leadership, we structure our work around the three pillars of the Jesus Movement: Care of Creation, Reconciliation, and Evangelism. We seek to connect Episcopalians to their faith by educating, equipping and engaging them to do the work of advocacy through the Episcopal Public Policy Network (EPPN).

The Episcopal Public Policy Network is a grassroots network of Episcopalians across the country dedicated to carrying out the Baptismal Covenant call to "strive for justice and peace" through the active ministry of public policy advocacy.

If you have a passion, and want to know whether the Episcopal Church has considered it, a good place to check is the Archives located here: <https://www.episcopalarchives.org/>. I just entered "ecology" in the search box and uncovered links to 108 resolutions. "UTO" yields 174. They are available to read if you have an interest.

With General Convention coming up this summer proposed resolutions are already coming in. Some are submitted by the committees, commissions, boards, and agencies of the church and are known as "A" resolutions; "B" resolutions are submitted by bishops; "C", by provinces and dioceses; and "D" by deputies.

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Sundays

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:15 a.m. Christian
Formation for All Ages
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist &
Children's Chapel
(Nursery available
at 9:00 a.m.)

Wednesday Morning

10:00 a.m. Worship
(Holy Eucharist and Healing
on the first Wednesday
of each month)

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Last but not least, it might interest you to know that the General Convention is the largest legislative body in the world! Can you imagine? Perhaps we can invite one of our deputies to come and tell us about it after the fact.

Yours for advancing the reign of God!

Carol+

Vestry Highlights - May and June 2018

May 2018

Financial Report: John Westerlund, Treasurer, announced that the Parochial Report has been finalized.

Banner Policy: Camille Mittelholtz, Senior Warden, presented the Banner Policy worked out with the Buildings and Grounds Committee, which provides a clearly laid out plan for storage of banners, and how they are proposed and approved. The policy was approved by the Vestry.

St. Barnabas Day: Plans were reviewed. The day will include the presentation of parish gifts to our newly graduated seminarian, Jeff Stevenson, installation of the officers of Women of St. Barnabas' and new Vestry members, and a parish luncheon.

Canon Flanagan: Carol announced that she would have a long-needed knee replacement surgery June 26. She will be out of the office for 6 to 8 weeks. The Vestry agreed to have a single service during the time she is away (July and August). We will return to the customary two services at 8:00 and 10:15 after Labor Day.

June 2018

Director of Christian Education: There has been discussion of hiring a part-time Director of Christian Education. The vestry received copies of a Position Description, written jointly by the Youth Committee, Camille Mittelholtz, and Canon Flanagan.

Other business:

The Vestry approved a new line item for the budget, "Rector's Travel and Pastoral Care."

Bonnie & Gil Baldwin will serve as Stewardship Chairs this year.

Hugh Agnew has joined the Search Committee (taking Gil's place).

Vestry discussed scheduling a Ministry Fair in late summer or at the beginning of the program year.

The Shrine Mont Parish Retreat will be September 28-30, 2018. Serving on the planning committee are Kathleen & Larry Stark (Chairs), Grace Robbins, Beth Harper, and Theresa Merchant.

New parish directories will soon be available.

The program year calendar will be discussed at the next meeting. Many dates already have been set (Christmas Bazaar, Mad Hatter's Tea, etc.). Parishioner input is welcome.

- Maria Macfarlane, Register

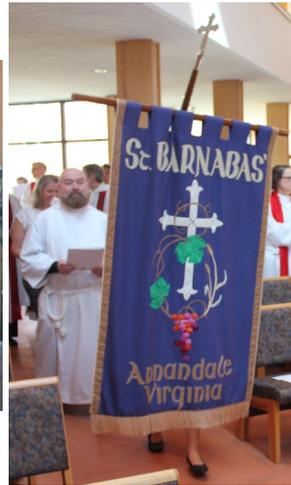
Jeff Stevenson Ordained June 9, 2018



Jeffrey Neal Stevenson was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons in the Diocese of Virginia on Saturday, May 9, 2018 at Church of the Epiphany, Herndon, Virginia.

Below left: Jeff with husband Noah Stetzer

Below right: Leigh Kennedy, Banner Bearer



In Memoriam



Janice Campbell

Longtime parishioner
April 21, 2018
Columbus, Ohio

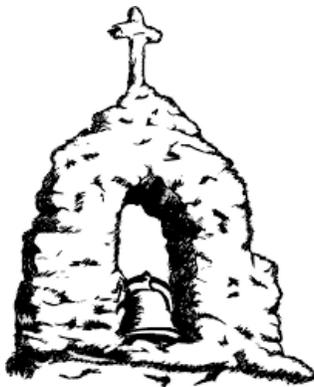
Walter Thomas Rampersaud

Brother of Desiree and
Grace Rampersaud
May 12, 2108

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

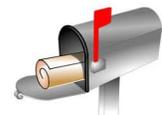
Seven Choristers Head to MAD Camp

Again this year, a number of St. Barnabas' Children's Choir members will attend Music & Drama (MAD) Camp at Shrine Mont in Orkney Springs. Please keep these young people in your prayers as they participate in this high-energy camp focused on the preparation of a biblically-based musical.



Jay Carroll
Johanna Carroll
Laura Westerlund
Jordan Kennedy
Alison Kennedy
Joaquin Tamanaha
Lulu Harris

Recently Moved



Theresa & Doug Merchant

5404 Atlee Place
Springfield, VA 22151
Home: 703-642-7576

Welcome Home!

St. Barnabas' Mission: Serving our community, the world, and each other through the love of Jesus Christ.

Monnie Riggin Ordained May 5, 2018 by Beth Harper



Monnie Riggin was ordained to the vocational diaconate in the Diocese of North Carolina on Saturday, May 5, at Phillips Chapel of the Canterbury School in Greensboro. The Rt. Rev Samuel Rodman, Bishop of North Carolina, presided assisted by The Rt. Rev. Anne Hodges-Coppel, Suffragan Bishop of the diocese. (Bp. Hodges-Coppel was Monnie's rector at St. Luke's in Durham prior to her election as Bishop.)

The Rev. Linda Wofford Hawkins attended the ordination. She sends greetings to all at St. Barnabas' and shared the news that her cancer surgery was successful and she does not need to have follow-up chemotherapy.

It was a joyful day! Monnie was very appreciative of the good wishes and card from St. Barnabas'.



Thanks and More Thanks to...

- Karen and David Steidel who donated and planted the flowers for the pots along the walkway to the Richardson Room and in the Peace Patio.
- Ken Mittelholtz for painting the picnic tables and chair in the Peace Patio.
- Theresa Merchant, Behn Ayala, Molly Newling, Karen Steidel, and Janet George who have stepped up to help with arranging altar flowers.
- Phyllis McKoy and Beth Harper for their wonderful photos.
- Bonnie and Gil Baldwin for heading up the fall Stewardship Campaign, and to Janice and James Carroll for agreeing to succeed them next year.
- The St. Barnabas Day Committee, including Janice & James Carroll, Dick Crutchley, Carolyn Lilienthal, Phyllis McKoy, Ken Mittelholtz, and Molly Newling; Cindy McLaughlin for her invaluable help; and all who contributed food.
- The Adult and Children's Choirs for the beautiful music at the St. Barnabas' Day service.
- Larry Stark and the Vestry for their leadership in addressing our storage challenges.
- The Youth Committee, Adult Forum Committee, and all those who led our Christian education programs this year.
- George Sinclair, Cricket Camp, Camille Mittelholtz, Dottie Rogerson, Anne Radway, Jocelyn Leatherwood, Michael Dugger, John Westerlund, and Molly Newling who help create the Participant Schedules.

On-Going ASYP Operations and Scholarship Fund

by Ed Ing and Catherine Dubas

In 2006 the Annandale Safe Youth Project started operating at the church. Now in its twelfth year, [Second Story](#) (formerly [Alternative House](#)), which is funded by a [Fairfax County grant](#), and St. Barnabas' partner to provide homework help, healthy meals and activities, and mentoring to at-risk 3rd through 6th graders from Braddock Elementary School.

Aden Riggan, husband of Monnie Riggan, was the first volunteer coordinator for the program. When Aden died in 2008, a college scholarship fund was created in his memory. The first scholarship was presented on September 27, 2016 to Beverly Duran, an ASYP alumna and a Northern Virginia Community College (NVCC) student. The awarding of the scholarship was a joyous occasion, and Beverly spoke encouragingly to the current ASYP students about the need to continue to work toward their dreams and aspirations. (See photo below.)

In awarding the scholarship, the difficulty of publicizing and selecting the scholarship recipient became obvious. Neither Second Story nor the church can effectively track the students after they leave ASYP. Following discussions with Monnie Riggan, the church this year transferred the Riggan memorial fund to [the Northern Virginia Community College Educational Foundation](#). NVCC will be better able to administer financial assistance to NVCC students with preference for ASYP alumni.

ASYP continues strong today, with [Second Story](#) providing the basic staffing and van transportation for a year-round program. St. Barnabas' provides the facilities, volunteer tutors, and a soccer coach (thank you, Jack Miller!), school supplies, after-school snacks, and instructional equipment for the children. St. Barnabas' provides for a holiday party in December before the students' winter break, and assures that each child has a "Merry Christmas", however it is recognized and celebrated in their homes and cultures. The program continues during the summer months with more field trips and activities, while maintaining a focus on English and math literacy.

After many years as volunteer (church) coordinator, Ann Woodle moved to Western Maryland in 2017. Since then, Rotha Frye has served as volunteer coordinator. The program today has a strong focus on educational activities and support. A generous gift last fall provided each child with an iPad for instructional use while they are here. The children's enthusiasm is evident to everyone. With volunteers from the community as well as from the church, the program has attracted and can now accommodate additional children.

ASYP at St. Barnabas' operates because of the vision of the first volunteers and the selfless volunteers' work that continues to this day. It is appropriate to remember here Aden Riggan and Robin Holmes as two who have gone from strength to strength in the life of service in Christ. Notwithstanding the passing years, the church remains to carry on the work Aden, Robin, and others began. If you think you may be interested in supporting ASYP, please speak with Rotha or contact the parish office.

L-R: Ann Woodle, The Rev. Linda Wofford Hawkins, scholarship recipient Beverly Duran, and Monnie Riggan

September 27, 2016



WOSB and Barnabees News

The women of St. Barnabas have had a successful spring. We earned over \$1,000 at our Mad Hatter's Tea Party. All the money we earn goes to our outreach/inreach programs. Hat prizes went to Janet George, Phyllis McKoy, and Behn Ayala. Gertrude Jones won the tea basket raffle. We wish to thank all those who came to support us. Thank you to those who helped us set up for the tea and those who stayed after to clean up. A special thanks to Nancy Peyton who washed all those lovely china cups and saucers.

This year's Tea Party was dedicated to the memory of Ellen Crutchley. Kathleen Stark donated one of her paintings, "Ellen's Garden," to us for sale at the tea. The painting has been purchased as a gift to Ellen's husband Crutch, and the proceeds were donated by Kathleen to the Women of St. Barnabas'. Thank you very much for this generous contribution to the ministry of the WOSB.

Our other spring event was our Soup & Salad Supper. We schedule this meeting in June in the evening in order to welcome those who can't attend our usual daytime meetings. It is for fun and fellowship. Our speaker this year was Senior Warden Camille Mittelholtz, who spoke to us about our search for a new rector. She explained the steps that are followed in the search, and we thank her for making the process much more clear.

Now we turn our thoughts to the Christmas bazaar in November, our major fund raiser. This year the bazaar is scheduled on Saturday, November 10th, with a preview party on Friday evening, November 9th. Our theme is "A Nutcracker Christmas."

One of our most popular tables at the bazaar is the costume jewelry table. We are asking again for donations of gently used items – rings, bracelets, necklaces, pins, and watches – which we will sell. We also ask for the not-so-gently-used pieces – broken pieces or single earrings – which we will use in making crafts. We would appreciate it if you would go through your jewelry collection and give us pieces you no longer wear or ones you haven't gotten around to throwing away. We can use them! Please give them to Gertrude Jones or any member of the Barnabees, or drop them off in the parish office. Thank you.

While the WOSB does not meet during the summer, the Barnabees will continue to meet on an informal basis. We invite you to join us at 10:00 a.m. Thursdays in the Richardson Room. Please call me or one of the Barnabees to check to be sure we will be meeting. The WOSB and Barnabees resume in September as we begin earnest preparations for our Nutcracker Christmas Bazaar. - Gertrude Jones

St. Barnabas' Work Day



We have scheduled our next St. Barnabas' Work Day for Saturday, July 14th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. We will concentrate on beautifying the grounds, or, if too hot or stormy, will work on some deep cleaning and organizing of stored items. ALL are welcome to aid and assist with whatever time you can manage! For questions or more information speak with Jack Miller or Alan Phillips.

September Reporter Deadline

The deadline for the September issue of The St. Barnabas' Reporter is Wednesday, August 15th. Please submit announcements and/or photos to Catherine in the parish office at stbarnabaschurch@outlook.com. Hard copies of announcements and photos are welcome, as well.

Forum on Race and Religion

by Phyllis McKoy

On Saturday, March 10, Phyllis McKoy, Shelley Kallop, and Sharon Jones attended the "Forum on Race and Religion" at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Richmond. The Most Reverend Michael B. Curry, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, was in attendance along with other bishops, priests, and the community "to share, to witness, and to encourage" the work.

The forum's theme was "Bending Toward Truth--St. Paul's Racial History, 1844-2000". Two different and diverse panels with PowerPoint presentations, a moderator, and other guest speakers covered a variety of topics and questions on race and religion, intertwined with St. Paul's history.

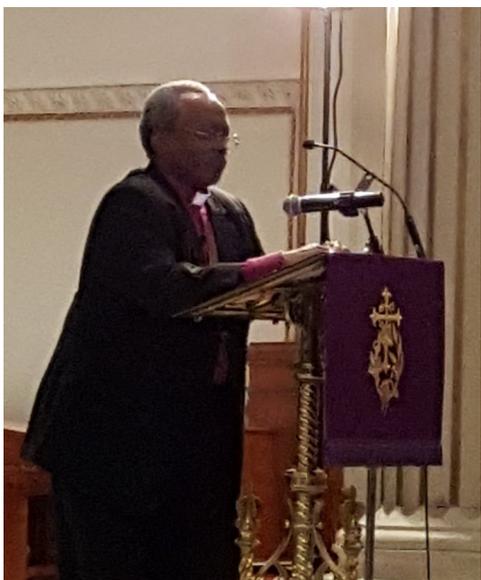
One panel covered the early years, and the second panel covered the latter years.

Panel topics included the history of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, religion, white privilege and its effects, slavery, life after the end of slavery, the Jim Crow Era, the Civil Rights Movement, and modern day issues including housing, transportation, and education in Virginia, with a focus on the Richmond area.

After the first panel discussion there was a scheduled intermission and attendees met in the fellowship hall to talk and have dinner.

After dinner, the attendees returned to the main church area and listened to the second panel discussion.

Bishop Curry spoke afterwards with an inspirational message to continue in the church's work to end disparity in order to create a better life for all.



ACCA News – Annandale Christian Community for Action

Rebuilding Together - Thanks to the volunteers who helped at the Rebuilding Together workday on April 29: Molly Newling, Behn Ayala, James Harris, Scott Cannon, Frank Spink, and Ken & Camille Mittelholtz. Our project was a group home operated by Pathway Homes, Inc. We made inside repairs, painted outside, and did major yard work, including planting and mulching a hillside. Thanks to Janet George for donating many azaleas, and to Carolyn Lilienthal and Molly for gardening advice. We were joined by volunteers from other ACCA churches: Annandale United Methodist Church, the Annandale Ward - Latter Day Saints, and Lincolnia United Methodist Church. Volunteers from other ACCA churches helped a senior homeowner in Annandale with house repairs and yard work.



St. Barnabas has supported Rebuilding Together (formerly Christmas in April) through ACCA by sponsoring or co-sponsoring a house project for 25 years. Ken and Frank have led the work, many volunteers from the parish have participated over the years, and the church budgets the sponsorship funds.

ACCA Refugee Sponsorship- ACCA will be partnering with Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area to sponsor a refugee family. ACCA has committed to provide financial assistance to the family to help with rent and utilities for at least three months. ACCA will furnish the family's apartment with items from the Furniture Ministry and coordinate donations for other household needs. In addition, ACCA volunteers will provide mentoring, ESL coaching, and other support to help the family adapt to life in the U.S., as well as transportation to medical and social services appointments. ACCA expects that our family will be assigned in September or later this fall. Please contact Camille or Ken if you would like to volunteer or if you would like more information about this ACCA initiative.

Volunteer needs -The Family Emergency Committee is seeking money captains, and the Food Pantry is seeking food captains. Volunteers for both positions work from home and need to have computer and internet access. They serve 1 week every 3 months. "Money captains" take referrals and arrange for ACCA financial assistance to avoid eviction, pay overdue utilities, and meet other emergency needs. "Food captains" take referrals and arrange for deliveries from the ACCA food pantry. The pantry also needs volunteer drivers to make food deliveries.

Furniture Program- Thanks to Ken Mittelholtz and Elsa & Scott Cannon, who volunteered at the ACCA furniture ministry on June 9. The program delivers furniture to needy households and picks up donations of gently-used furniture. To donate furniture, please contact Camille or Ken.

CROP Walk – The Annandale CROP Hunger Walk will be held on October 20 at Lake Accotink. The Walk raises funds for Church World Service. You can help by walking, donating, or volunteering the morning of the walk.

For more information on ACCA activities, please contact Camille or Ken Mittelholtz at 703 573-0074 or kemit-telholtz@gmail.com. ACCA's website is www.accacares.org.



A Bit of History: Did You Know?



My parents, John and Janice Campbell, were active members of St. Barnabas through the 1980s and 90s. He was part of the Vestry for many years, and she was a member of the Barnabees. She was an avid quilter, and that Noah's Ark quilt was certainly a highlight in her quilting career. She kept a framed photo of the quilt and the ladies who worked on it in her quilt room for years.

- Margaret Stevens



Left:
Janice Campbell
with Shrine Mont
square



Above, clockwise from lower left corner: Barbara Rigden, Joyce Anderson (mother of Ellen Riddle), Jean Truitt, Rosemary Sinclair, Nancy Peyton, Janice Campbell, Carolyn Lienthal, and Nancy Burlison

Right: Janice designed and created the St. Barnabas Banner, used recently at the ordination of Jeff Stevenson.



Right:
Going-away quilt for
The Rev. Robert H.
Lyles, former Rector

Mad Hatter's Tea Party - May 5, 2018



Dedication poster



Prize winning hats and their owners
L-R: Phyllis McKoy, Janet George, and Behn Ayala.



Gertrude Jones, raffle winner of a lovely tea gift basket



"Ellen's Garden" by Kathleen Stark



St. Barnabas' Day Celebration - June 10, 2018

The St. Barnabas' Day Celebration was quite special this year. The Rev. Jeffrey Neal Stevenson celebrated his first Sunday as an ordained deacon with us. We are so proud of him! In addition, we honored our Children's Choir with a Ribbon Ceremony, and enjoyed lunch together. Thank you to all who contributed to make this a very special day.



The Children's Choir Ribbon Ceremony took place during the St. Barnabas' Day service. Benjamin Glaeser has completed his first two years of choir, and therefore was promoted from probationer to chorister, and received his cotta. Jay Carroll and Lulu Harris were announced as Senior Choristers for next year. All of the children in the choir have worked hard this year and have grown in their music ministry, and all were advanced to the next ribbon color.



Note of Thanks



The St. Barnabas Day picnic would not have run as smoothly as it did without the help of Paul Palmer. He contributed the services of Anita Zust who knows our church and was tremendous help. Thank you, Paul!

Summer Reading Recommendation

I have two: *Dandelion Wine* by Ray Bradbury (recommended last year) and *The Size of the World* by Joan Silber (new this year).

The Size of the World comprises six intertwined tales set in Vietnam, Thailand, Mexico, Sicily, and America, stories of love and loss over a period of about 100 years.

The genius of Silber's plot, which never seems contrived, is how minor or passing characters in one piece become narrator of another. For example, at the beginning, a young American woman in 1920's Florida leaves the U.S. to care for her tin-prospecting brother in Siam. He soon deserts her to join his secret Asian lover, leaving her to fend for herself in this foreign country. In the last section of the book, this same brother has returned to the U.S., older and presumably wiser but still in love with the idea of Asian women.

The common thread is the tensions between home, exile, and otherness. War, love, and culture shock take various forms, but the size of the world, it seems, is no greater than the distance to the nearest person. This is a tremendously humane and compassionate book that I highly recommend to all. (322) - Ann Radway

Yoga with Friends

Join us in the Richardson Room on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. for an all-levels slow flow Vinyasa Class featuring sun salutations, warrior poses, standing balances, and centering. The cost is \$10 per person per class. Please bring your own yoga mat. Yoga props will be provided. For more information, see the [Yoga with Friends](#) website.



Placing Ourselves in the Presence of God

We pray for God's presence, strength, and healing ... for Jonathan Barber, Bernard Blair, Emma Blevins, Jean Anne Braddon, Matthew Dugger, Lee Gibbs, Linda Wofford Hawkins, Fred Holmes, Carolyn Kercheval, Tom Lyles, Bob Macfarlane, Cindy McLaughlin, Marion Meany, Jean Mesle, Barbara Metz, Jack Miller, Rusty Moore, Jane Moya, Aliyah Phillips, Anne Radway, Ann Sayles, Dave Snyder, Frank Spink, Kathleen Stark, Karen Steidel, Dana Wiseman, and Ann Woodle.

For the Church ... the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby; our Presiding Bishop, The Most Rev. Michael Bruce Curry; and our Diocesan Bishops, The Rt. Rev. Shannon S. Johnston, The Rt. Rev. David Colin Jones, The Rt. Rev. Peter James Lee, The Rt. Rev. F. Clayton Matthews, The Rt. Rev. Susan E. Goff, The Rt. Rev. Robert Wilkes Ihloff, and their families.

For our Interim Rector, The Rev. Canon Carol Cole Flanagan, and her family; for The Rev. Jeffrey Neal Stevenson, Deacon, and his family; for our vestry, wardens, and staff; and for the work and ministry of Espiritu Santo and its mission of San Martine, Tela, Honduras.



Summer Office Hours: Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (July and August). The Parish Office will be closed on July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Please call the parish office (703-941-2922) or check the parish web site (<http://www.st-barnabaschurch.org/default.asp>) for updates.

News from Lonaconing, Maryland

Dear St. Barnabas' Friends,

Thank you so much for your recent card. It was so good to hear from so many of you! Carol, I hope your knee surgeries go well. It is such a relief once they are done!

I am doing much better now. Shoulder is healing well and I am about ready to get in the pool to work it. I am much more relaxed now and feeling so much less stressed. Bill Woolf asked me if I wanted to set up a Just Asked chapter in Cumberland and I turned it down. Don't need to stir up all that stress again.

The weather has been wet and cold here way too much but not as bad as you have had it. I have hanging baskets, begonias on the porch, and a grow garden bed on the rocks behind the garage! Pansies, zinnias, portulaca's and verbenas in large pots on the rocks in front, and three sunflowers started. I have had to hire a college kid, but they work much cheaper up here.

Summers are busier, with Mindy's Promotion Council planning all kinds of things for the summer weekends. We just had the community bar-b-q in the park, Summer in the Park is July 1st with all kinds of activities and I will probably set up my used jewelry to sell. This is a new project I started while I was unable to sew, but am getting back to that now also. We have several days of activities over the July 4th holiday, starting with Sunday in the Park, then the library "campfire" for the community with s'mores, a fire department activity, and fireworks at the middle school. Mid July Frostburg is having a big bar-b-que for a fund raiser, and farmers' markets go on every week.

On really good days I am starting to drive some locally but not if I do not feel 100%. Mindy is working 12-13 hours a day and has been for quite a while now so we don't do much together. She is doing custom sewing only, and just barely made it through Prom Season but Bride Season was already starting. I am hoping summer will slow down some because she is absolutely exhausted but puts a smile on her face and carries on. She is quite the capable young woman.

We no longer have a part-time police officer but the County is up here all the time. No inspections on vehicles, noise limits on mufflers or engines, or pollution controls on vehicles, so it's the bigger and louder the better! I have great immediate neighbors, nice house with a front porch I love, garage, and basement with a queen bed and full bath. Would love to see you up here—it is beautiful this time of year and everything is such a lush green right now. It is about a 3 hour drive each way; route 15 to 70 is not as difficult as the beltway to 270 to 70. Miss you all, and I do keep in touch with what is going on, thanks to Catherine and the reporters.

- Ann Woodle

Graduation Congratulations



Alyson Estes, daughter of Ginger Braddon, graduated May 5, 2018 from Belmont University, Mike Curb College of Entertainment and Music Business in Nashville, Tennessee with a Bachelors of Music Business. She will be staying in Nashville where she already has started her own booking agency, Hook and Sinker Booking.



**The Vestry's Charge to the Rector Search Committee
St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church, Annandale
April 17, 2018**

**On Tuesday, April 17th, by a unanimous vote,
the Vestry adopted the following charge to the Rector Search Committee:**

I. Introduction

The Rector Search Committee (Committee) is a committee of the Parish, appointed by the Vestry, and charged to conduct a thorough, thoughtful and prayerful search and evaluation of qualified candidates for the position of Rector for St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church, Annandale. The selection and call of a Rector is an important decision. The Committee, therefore, should conduct the search for as long as may be necessary for the successful completion of this charge.

II. The Committee

A. The Committee consists of a chair and six other members.

B. The Committee shall approach the search process prayerfully, with attention to the relevant provisions of Canon Law and Diocesan and Episcopal Church requirements pertaining to the search process, and bearing in mind the interests of the whole parish and all of its various constituencies and ministries.

C. The Committee shall meet as often as may be necessary to ensure the prompt and efficient completion of its charge.

D. The Committee periodically will update the Parish on its progress. The Chair of the Committee will keep the Interim Rector and Vestry informed about developments in the search for a new Rector.

E. The Committee shall serve as the contact point between the Parish and the Diocese for communications regarding the search. These communications shall be kept confidential, except that such communications may be disclosed to the Interim Rector and/or Vestry.

III. Budget

The Vestry has provided some preliminary funding for the process. If additional funding is needed the Committee will prepare a budget and submit it to the Vestry for approval.

IV. Scope of Search

The Vestry directs the Committee to conduct a national search, without regard to age, gender, race, disability, sexual orientation, or nationality, for a rector who will be an effective leader in the parish, the Diocese and the Episcopal Church.

V. Self-Assessment Process

The Committee shall undertake a process of self-assessment, which shall include a survey of the Parish. The results of that process will be summarized on the Rector Transition page of the church's web site.

VI. Confidentiality

The Committee shall keep confidential any information obtained during the search process that concerns specific potential candidates.

VII. Presentation of Final Candidates

The Committee shall present to the Vestry for its consideration no fewer than two and no more than three candidates to be the next Rector. The Committee shall provide a short, written explanation for its selections. The names of the candidates shall be presented at a joint meeting of the Vestry and the Committee.

VIII. Contract

The Vestry will negotiate with the successful candidate the terms of a contract and benefits package.

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A Leader's Prayer

O God, put us in the midst of what you are doing; make us acutely mindful of your passion for us and for the world; and help us to bless what you are creating here and now. We pray this in the presence of Jesus, our life and hope. Amen.

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